

Barnwell County

1. **What does educational achievement mean to our community?**
 - Enticement for business and industry; community expectations drives socioeconomic growth and development
 - Economic development
 - Increased quality of life
2. **What is needed in our community so that ALL students can succeed? (Strengths & Challenges)**
 - Adequate funding/equal statewide funding
 - Discontinue unfunded mandates
 - Open public access for education experiences
 - Greater access to the arts
 - Much be involved
 - More funding
 - Increased parent education and involvement
 - Focus on early education and care - quality

Challenges:

 - Strengthen collaboration among all stakeholders/agencies

Strengths

 - (none listed)
3. **What programs, partnerships etc. work well in your community to support all students succeeding?**
 - Business/industry partnerships
 - Arts Council support
 - Community action groups
 - Health education – exercise and nutrition
 - Employers, employees schools mentoring and character education
 - First Steps
4. **What can we do in our homes and neighborhoods to strengthen our schools?**
 - Maintain high expectations
 - Requirements for parental involvement
 - Help and assistance to schools
 - Volunteer
 - Communicate needs and success
 - Reinforce school goals, mission and vision